## **MASSACHUSETTS FY 2017 LIHEAP**

PERFORMANCE MANAGEMENT SNAPSHOT

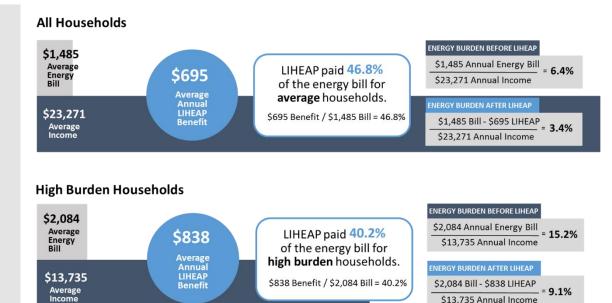
In FY 2017, Massachusetts furnished LIHEAP bill payment assistance to 159,987 households. They collected energy burden data for 83,833 households (52%)

## Does LIHEAP furnish higher benefits to higher burden households?

**Yes.** In Massachusetts, the total LIHEAP benefit received by high burden households in FY 2017 was about **\$143 (21%) more** than the total LIHEAP benefit received by the average recipient household.

## Does LIHEAP pay a larger share of the home energy bill for high burden households?

**No.** In FY 2017, LIHEAP paid **46.8%** of the energy bill for average households in Massachusetts, while LIHEAP paid **40.2%** of the energy bill for high burden households.



## **Prevention and Restoration of Home Energy Service Loss**

As a Result of Bill Payment Assistance

Prevention (71%)Restoration (29%)25380 Occurrences10501 Occurrences

As a Result of Equipment Repair or Replacement

Prevention (99%)
6163 Occurrences
Restoration (1%)
39 Occurrences

- In FY 2017, LIHEAP benefits in Massachusetts prevented the loss of service 25,380 times, by stopping threatened utility service disconnections and by delivering fuels to homes that were at risk of running out. In addition, the program repaired or replaced heating or cooling equipment at imminent risk of failure 6,163 times.
- In FY 2017, LIHEAP benefits restored home energy service 10,501 times for households who had been disconnected by their utility provider or who had run out of fuel oil, propane, or wood. In addition, the program restored home energy service 39 times by repairing or replacing inoperable heating or cooling equipment.